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Overview

Villa Romantic is just as the name suggests - a very romantic and beautiful hilltop Provençal-style Mas, dating back to 1820. This property provides charm and comfort, but the main attraction is the stunning roman-style private swimming pool. There is a large garden, as well as extensive terraces offering breathtaking panoramic views. This property sleeps 9 people in 6 double or twin bedrooms, and has 5 bathrooms. Perfectly located within 5 minutes of all amenities.

(Villa can be rented for up to 16 people incorporating La Petite Villa in the grounds. See BEAU114 for more information. Alternatively, if your party numbers more than nine people but less than 16, please see our ref BEAU104).

Not suitable for weddings etc.

Description

Villa Romantic is just as the name suggests - a beautiful and romantic Provençal Mas, built around an old circular stone tower, with windows dating from 1820.

Set on top of a hill, overlooking Beaucaire and the stunning Provençal countryside, this award-winning property has been completely renovated to provide comfortable and welcoming accommodation for up to 9 people.

This property combines great charm and style thanks to the many original antique Provençal features, the pretty and decorative touches, and all intertwined with modern day comforts.

The approach to the villa is up a steep and winding private lane, that leads to just a few other homes, all set amongst pine, walnut and olive trees - offering you an impressive feel of Provence before even arriving at your destination.

You will enter the grounds through large wrought iron gates which are electronically controlled, giving a feeling of exclusivity and with a high wall all around the property ensuring privacy at all times, and all in a commanding hilltop position - private, but not isolated. You do not overlook any other properties and no other properties overlook you.

Villa Romantic is bright and airy, painted white throughout and furnished in a charming and colourful antique Provençal style. The main circular living room has a beamed ceiling, a large open fireplace, a SmartTV, as well as a DVD and CD player – this is the perfect place to relax indoors.

The dining room also has a beamed ceiling and is equipped with a large table and original Lloyd Loom chairs and a bar. The kitchen with fitted units, and all equipment needed in order to make a delicious meal with local ingredients.

Equipped with 6 double/twin bedrooms and 5 bathrooms, this property can comfortably sleep 9 people and a baby.

(Villa can be rented for up to 16 people by incorporating La Petite Villa in the grounds - see ref BEAU114). If you do not wish to

Facing South, this property enjoys the full benefit of the quality of light, and the delicious warmth for which this region is justly renowned all year round.

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The outside area of Villa Romantic is impressive, offering a superb Roman-style swimming pool area, complete with circular balustraded area and surrounding sun terrace with recliners and a drinks trolley and traditional BBQ. There is also a pool-side shaded summer kitchen with hob, micro-wave, kettle and drinks fridge, and a pool-side shaded summer lounge with a drinks fridge

The extensive gardens are complete with Mediterranean plants and trees, a water feature pond with a bridge and another shaded dining area around an ancient mill-stone table. There is a large, elevated dining terrace offering magnificent views.

The circular roof terrace offers truly spectacular panoramic views.

There is a large raised ground-floor Terrace looking over the garden and the landscape, perfect for relaxing and dining, with seating for 12 or more, around an inviting old farmhouse table 11 ft 6" long (3.5 m) - an excellent setting for long lazy lunches and for those dinners filled with enjoyable and relaxed conversation that go on late into the warm evenings.

The beautiful circular swimming pool is built in the style of a Roman collonaded arena - and is charmingly illuminated at night for that enchanting midnight dip. The pool is over 26 feet (8 metres) in diameter giving a surface area of 550 sq. feet (over 50 sq. meters) with semi-circular steps down into the pool for easy entry and exit.

Poolside sunbathing terrace with sun loungers, drinks trolley etc. and lounge - a perfect relaxing and reading area furnished with a big comfy sofa and matching arm chairs, overlooking the extended garrigue-type garden with statues, boules court and olive trees.

All amenities are located in nearby Beaucaire (1.5km) with many waterside restaurants and cafe bars.

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Layout

Villa 'Bon' – accommodates up to 9 people (and baby) :

6 double/twin bedrooms 5 bath/shower-rooms Stone-flagged reception hall

Dining room Circular lounge Large kitchen Laundry room

2 baby's folding cots and high chairs

Bedroom 1 - double Bedroom 2 - two singles

Bedroom 3 - double (four poster)

Bedroom 4 - double

Bedroom 5 - two singles

Bedroom 6 - two singles

5 Bathrooms

Plus there is an optional single-storey self-contained cottage 'La Petite Villa' with a bedroom, living room, a kitchen and a shower- room situated in the grounds of Villa Romantiue. This can be rented if you require extra space. See BEAU114 for more information. If you do not wish to rent the additional 'La Petite Villa' then it will remain unoccupied during your stay at Villa Romantique

More Info

Outside:

Dining terrace

Garden with mature trees and plenty of shaded areas Privacy - the property is entirely surrounded by a high wall Exclusivity - the property is entered through large electronically-controlled gates

Pond garden with ancient mill-stone table, pond and bridge Roof terrace with magnificent 360 degree views Shaded car-port for 2 cars + 5 more parking spaces

Magnificent Private Pool area with

Sun terrace and recliners

BBQ

Shaded summer lounge with drinks fridge

Shaded summer kitchen with hob, double sink, microwave, kettle and drinks fridge.

Linen and towels provided

Private parking

The Villa kitchen is fully-equipped and has a dishwasher, fridge/freezer, hob/stove, oven and microwave, coffee-maker, kettle etc. The laundry room has a washing machine, iron and ironing board. There is central heating should it ever be required in the winter months!

Cots, high chairs, free WiFi, room fans, SmartTV

Please note:

La Petite Villa (the cottage in the corner of the garden) is never rented separately, so if you only wish to take the Main House you can be assured that the property will be entirely private. La Petite Villa will remain unoccupied.

Reviews:

" Our family last stayed at Villa Romantic 19 years ago and had such a wonderful time that we always vowed to

Features

- Featured
- Internet
- Satellite TV
- Easy walk to shops (<15 mins)
- Un-overlooked pool
- Pets allowed on request
- Private pool
- Secure fenced pool
- Heating
- Private parking
- Golf nearby
- Watersports nearby
- Secure parking
- Family friendly
- Barbecue
- Terrace
- Fireplace
- Spacious garden

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return. Again we have had a fabulous time in your beautiful home. Thank you." August 2023

- "We stayed at Villa Romantic for 25 days in June 2023. We had a lovely time. Thank you for everything."
- "Villa Romantic makes for a dream holiday.... It is a great location with easy access to Avignon, Arles, Nimes, Beaucaire and Tarascon. The villa is breathtaking the architecture, the grounds, the antique furnishings and the amenities. We can't thank the owners enough for making it so easy to have a relaxing holiday. "
- " I still long to return to your villa. It was a lovely week we spent there, and I just wish we had had more time there. We fell in love with the house, the garden and the pool area. We really liked the friendly people in Beaucaire and the rest of the region. It was all and more than I could have dreamed of when I started 2 years ago to plan the celebration of my 50th birthday. Everything was perfect and we all had a really nice vacation at your Villa Romantic. "

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Location

Just 1 mile from the historic twin towns of Beaucaire and Tarascon, you are very centrally located in the circle created by beautiful Avignon, St Remy de Provence, Arles, Nimes, the Pont du Gard, Uzes and Orange and conveniently no more than 12 miles (20 kms) from each - and no fewer than 5 of these are UNESCO World Heritage sites! It is only about 45 minutes drive to the Mediterranean - to the sandy beaches of the old seaside town of St Maries de la Mer and the medieval walled town of Aigues Mortes - via the beautiful Camargue.

Villa Romantic is just 1 mile (1.5 km) out of the historic medieval town of Beaucaire, with its imposing 12th century ruined castle perched high on a rock overlooking the majestic river Rhône. There is a delightful river marina crammed with colourful boats of all shapes and sizes which is bordered with restaurants and bars full of local atmosphere and character. Alongside the marina the square is shaded by the typical spreading plane trees (platanes) so loved in village and town squares throughout this region. There are markets on Thursdays and Sundays selling everything including lots of local produce. There are countless vineyards to visit within a 10-mile radius.

Villa Romantic is just 1 mile ($1\frac{1}{2}$ km) out of the historic Medieval town of Beaucaire, (between Arles and Avignon).

The beautiful walled city of Avignon - a UNESCO World Heritage Site - the Medieval city of Popes - the biggest gothic palace in the world and the legendary bridge made famous by the song known to every child: 'Sur le Pont, d'Avignon'.

Saint-Rémy-de-Provence and the impressive Greco-Roman archaeological site of Glanum, and the beautiful retreat where Van Gogh spent a prolific year inspired by the luminosity of the light in this region.

11th Century Les Baux-de-Provence dominating the Provence landscape.

The Roman centre of Arles described by Constantine as 'the little Rome in Gaul', the great obelisk, the theatre, the amphitheatre arena and the



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Cloisters of Saint-Trophime.

Nîmes with its impressive Roman arena. The beautiful Roman 'Jardin Des Fontaines' which it has been said inspired the gardens at Versailles, and the 'Maison Carreé' much like the Parthenon in Athens.

Pont du Gard - another UNESCO World Heritage Site, the incredible triple height bridge built by the Romans is recognised as one of the finest and most grand pieces of architecture antiquity has bequeathed to us. The aqueduct level delivered pure water to the Roman baths and fountains at Nîmes for over 200 years.

Uzés, a delightfully restored Medieval town, the seat of the Dukes of Uzés (the first Dukes of France) for over a thousand years, and its lovely cathédrale with its tall tower unique in France and similar to the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

Aix-en-Provence, a city of art and culture, home of Cezanne and the city of a hundred fountains.

The Luberon - Gordes, Menerbes, Bonnieux and Roussillon, made famous by Peter Mayle's best- seller 'A Year in Provence' and our favourite film of all time - 'A Good Year' starring Russell Crowe, Marion Cotillard and Albert Finney.

Marseille with its picturesque old port and beautiful church high up on the hill (go up on the little 'street train touristique') overlooking the city, the Mediterranean, and the fortress island, Isle d'If - home of Alexander Dumas' Count of Monte Cristo.

Montpellier, elegant and classical, rather like a Paris of the South.

Orange, the great Imperial Roman theatre - yet another UNESCO World Heritage site.

The Camargue - calm and mysterious - try to take a Land Rover safari or a boat trip through the lagoons and waterways.

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Aigues-Mortes, a beautifully preserved town completely enclosed by ramparts. The French kingdom's first Mediterranean port and the departure point for the Orient and the Crusades.

Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer - like Mediterranean seaside resorts were 70 years ago - quiet and gentle with unspoilt and uncrowded sandy beaches.

Beaucaire was such an important market place in France throughout the Middle Ages that prices struck here for commodities such as wine and cheese, metals and timber, fruit and meat, leather and silk, pots and pans became the norm throughout France.

Its Medieval Fairs attracted buyers and sellers from all over Europe and Asia and there are countless ancient buildings which bear witness to Beaucaire's great past. The town is steeped in history and still today there are regular markets, fairs, festivals and celebrations commemorating bygone days and traditions.

Beaucaire looks across the Rhône to its equally lovely neighbour Tarascon with the marvellous Good King Rene's castle, one of the best preserved Medieval fortresses in the whole of France; it's partly fortified old town, the 17th Century Town Hall and grand 19th Century theatre - originally a 16th Century abbey.

The Roman town of Arles is also only a 10 min drive. Many Roman and Romanesque monuments are still in use today; the amphitheatre provides the setting for bullfights and concerts, and what remains of the Roman theatre plays host to formal concerts and traditional folk festivities throughout the year.

The Cathédrale Saint-Trophime, with its magnificent doorway depicting the Last Judgement carved in stone and its beautiful cloisters, is open to the public for visits and Sunday services.

The necropolis, or Alyscamps, is today a narrow, tree-lined avenue, located just outside the old town.

Arles also boasts one of the regions finest markets every Wednesday and

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Friday. Overflowing with Provençal goodies- fruits and vegetables, lavender products, soaps, olives, flowers, honey... The list is endless and makes the Arles market an event not to be missed!

Also not to be missed is a day out to Avignon to discover the winding streets and lovely Provençal shops. Here you'll find the wonderful 'Pope's Palace' - the former home of the Pope which really is spectacular. And the infamous 'half-bridge'!

For wine lovers, this is paradise; domaines and tasting almost on every corner.

Villa Romantic is ideally placed for visiting all of central and western (Roman) Provence, the Luberon, the Camargue, the Gard region of Languedoc-Rousillon and the uncrowded part of the Mediterranean.

While at our holiday villa in Provence, you should try to give yourselves enough time here to experience just a few of the wonderful sites in this fascinating part of the South of France.

Villa Romantic was built around an old circular stone tower with windows certainly dating from 1820.

Our villa in Provence has been completely renovated with style and an abundance of love and care to provide very appealing, elegant and welcoming accommodation. It combines great charm, many original antique Provençal features and pretty and decorative touches, with modern-day comforts. Important characteristics for a holiday villa in Provence. The approach to Villa Romantic is up a steep and winding private lane that leads to just a few other Provence villas set amongst pine and olive trees. You enter the grounds through big decorative wrought iron gates which are electronically controlled, thus ensuring privacy and a feeling of exclusivity. Our Provence villa is in a commanding hilltop position - private but not isolated - and very importantly, you are not overlooked nor are you overlooking any other homes. These are desirable and rare features for a holiday villa in Provence.

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